

# "HOT CORN FROM MURDERERS' ROW," AN INDUSTRY THAT GOES ON IN JERSEY CITY.



UNDER the sputtering, fixated, fitful glare of a safety oil lamp, whose steady flame of illumination only served to make the distant parts of the room seem darker, a light mulatto sat at a table at 1 o'clock the other morning counting the money a half score of ebony featured negro boys were pouring into his lap.

It was in "Murderers' Row," in upper Third street, Jersey City, and the little group of shining faced negroes were rendering their nightly accounting, not of crap games or policy, as one might have imagined, but of the very legitimate commerce in hot corn, of which this is the headquarters for three cities.

Joseph Anderson is now about the only negro in the three cities who assumes to make a living exclusively from the hot corn trade.

Anderson is the Rockefeller and Pierpont Morgan of the hot corn business. He has practically a monopoly of it in Jersey City, and as the little remnant of trade in New York is confined to a few Italians, Anderson's establishment is undoubtedly the largest in the neighborhood.

If Anderson was a counterfeiter or a policy dealer he could not be harder to find nor his industry be carried on with greater mystery. The hot corn boy is like the hat or owl. One hears his plaintive cry on the shadowy border beyond the barroom glare and seldom stops to investigate whence he comes or whether he goes. And it would be an ignis fatuus chase, for Anderson's headquarters are in a section of Jersey City that one is not apt to select for an evening stroll.

"Crow's Nest, upper Third street," was the reporter's word of direction, but Crow's Nest is a dark and deserted quarter at 1 o'clock in the morning. Rows of shambling, rickety frame tenements, overshadowed by the black background of "the hill," interlarded by various cross streets, gridiron blocks, stable yards and questionable resorts, constitute the general architectural side of Crow's Nest's life.

When you have found Anderson's retreat he will tell you it is not "Crow's Nest" at all, but "Murderers' Row" you mean, and that the very room he occupies is the one in which the negro Harringer chopped to pieces his wife a few years ago. If the flicking gasoline lamp above his head seems to sputter the more vigorously at this announcement, or the white eyeballs

of the half-dozen ebony faced youths that surround him seem to take on an additional brilliance at the suggestion, you must only laugh away the "creaky feeling" it may suggest and remember that "hot corn" is a legitimate and peaceable calling. It is a curious industry. The room in which Anderson sits and where Harringer committed murder is filled with curious articles.

"I makes 'em all myself," says Anderson, with pride, pointing to the curiously constructed little wagons, a combination of dry goods boxes, just the size of the wash boiler that holds the corn, and a baby carriage. "I makes all the outfit for the frankfurter and sauerkraut that I sell in the winter time, too. The only things I don't make is de earh pots dat I boll de corn in."

These are made at regular potteries, and are short, bucket shaped cylinders, with perforated bottoms midway between the ends. On these bottoms the charcoal is placed, and on top of the rim are the boilers to cook the corn. This work is done in the afternoon in the back yard. Early in the morning Anderson goes to the market and gets his corn fresh from the truck men. Then it is husked and placed in the boilers, with a half a dozen or so of towels. The towels and corn are boiled together.

Then, when much of the water has been poured off, the boilers are packed with alternate layers of hot corn and hot towels. These are packed in the little wooden wagons, which are lined with thick paper to protect them from the cold. No fire is kept under them on the street, but the corn keeps wonderfully hot, and when a layer of butter has been applied with a short brush—not a knife, for the knife blade would soon be too hot to hold the butter—and vigorously peppered and salted, they are sweet and toothsome enough.

The score or more of darky boys employed by Anderson come from all parts of the South and West. Virginia, Missouri and Arkansas supply most of them, and they are paid a percentage on their earnings and given bed and board in Anderson's rooms. A boy will sell from 60 to 80 "years" a night at 5 cents each, and from 80 to 100 "years" a day is the average output of Anderson's industry.

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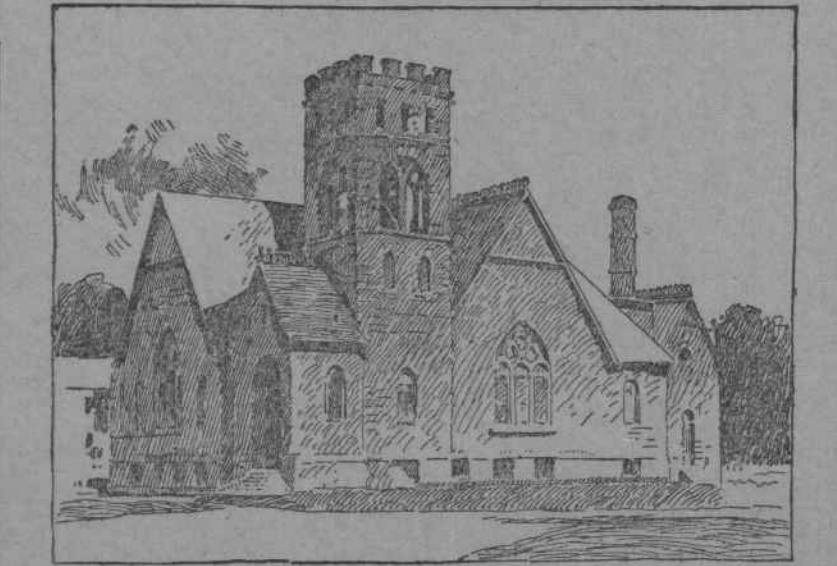
Henry George and his advisers are already arranging for a picturesque campaign. It will not, in all its phases, be a mere repetition of the now historical fight 1886, but in many respects it will be out the beaten path.

Tom L. Johnson, who is practically running George's end of the fight single-handed, is one of the most original and unique men in the political arena. He has been many fights and, as a rule, has come out victorious.

When he ran for Congress he introduced into the arena of Western methods in his contest attracted more attention than that of any man in a man of a great deal of nervous energy and force. He is an enthusiast, and is nothing he would not do to win. His friend George, and he is delighted now just which sections of his old time he will utilize in the artful attempt to win. Of course, we cannot hold ten meetings in New York, but over in Brooklyn, where there is plenty of vacant ground, we may hold our campaign. It is an expensive form of campaign, but what's the odds as long as the result in the poll is favorable on election day?

Those who can remember back eleven

## A CHURCH LITERALLY FOUNDED ON A ROCK.



The Divine Revelation to Peter Was Strictly Repeated by the Presbyterians of an Iowa Town—Church Celebrates Its Tenth Anniversary.

THE tenth anniversary of the Presbyterian Church at Waterloo, Iowa, was celebrated last week. There would be nothing remarkable about that, only that the church is part of a solid rock, having been cut out of a big boulder ten years ago.

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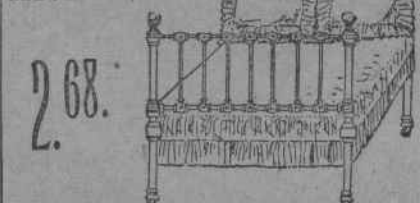


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